

REMARKS

At the outset, the Applicants and the undersigned wish to express appreciation to Primary Examiner Jackson and Examiner Kitov for their courtesy during the interview of May 12, 2005 and for determining that the subject application contains patentable subject matter.

Applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time. A check in the amount of \$1020 is enclosed. If further time is required, please consider this a petition therefor. The PTO is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 11-1110 for any fee deficiencies associated with this Amendment.

With respect to the objections to the Information Disclosure Statement, the undersigned indicated that the two references in questions were typographical errors and should not have been included on the PTO form 1449A/PTO that accompanied the Information Disclosure Statement.

Claims 4, 8, 14, and 22 have been amended to recite "Ethylene Vinyl Acetate".

Claims 26 and 28 have been amended to correctly spell "impedance".

During the Interview, the amendments to claim 2 as presented herein were determined to place that claim in condition for allowance. Independent claims 6, 18, 26, 28 and 30 have been further amended as was discussed during the Interview.

Applicants submit that all of the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in the Official Action and passage to allowance of all the pending claims at an early date are earnestly solicited. However, if the Examiner has any remaining concerns regarding Applicants' present Amendment, he is invited

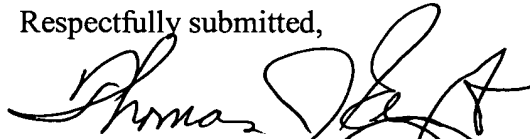
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to contact the Applicants' undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below so that those concerns may be expeditiously addressed.

Respectfully submitted,



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